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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) A compound of formula (I)

in which:

R¹ represents H or CH₃;

R² represents H, halogen, cyano, C1 to 2 alkyl, trifluoromethyl or C1 to 2 alkoxy;

n represents an integer 1, 2 or 3;

m represents an integer 0, 1, 2 or 3;

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R³ represents H, C2 to 4 alkenyl or C1 to 4 alkyl; said alkyl group being optionally further substituted by CN, C1 to 4 alkoxy, C1 to 4 alkyl–SO₂– or one or more fluoro atoms; or R³ represents a C1 to 4 alkylene group that forms a 4 to 7 membered azacyclic ring by

virtue of being additionally bonded to either the aromatic ring, Ar, or to the linker group,

$$-CR^4R^5-(CR^4R^5)_{n}$$
;

R⁴ and R⁵ independently represent H or C1 to 2 alkyl; or the group CR⁴R⁵ together represents a 3 to 6 membered carbocyclic ring that optionally incorporates one heteroatom selected from O or S; and each R⁴, each R⁵ and each group CR⁴R⁵ is selected independently;

Ar represents a phenyl ring or a 5- or 6-membered heteroaromatic ring containing one to three heteroatoms selected independently from O, N and S; said phenyl or heteroaromatic ring being optionally substituted by one or more substituents selected independently from halogen, cyano, C1 to 2 alkyl, trifluoromethyl, C1 to 2 alkoxy, NR⁶R⁷, -CONR⁶R⁷,

$$-COOR^6$$
, $-NR^6COR^7$, $-S(O)_pR^6$, $-SO_2NR^6R^7$ and $-NR^6SO_2R^7$;

R⁶ and R⁷ independently represent H, C2 to 4 alkenyl or C1 to 4 alkyl; said alkyl or alkenyl groups being optionally further substituted by one or more halogen atoms;

p represents an integer 0, 1 or 2;

and pharmaceutically acceptable salts thereof.

- 2. (Original) A compound of formula (I), according to Claim 1, wherein n represents the integer 1.
- 3. (Previously presented) A compound of formula (I), according to Claim 1, wherein R^1 represents H.
 - 4. (Cancelled)
- 5. (Previously presented) A compound of formula (I), according to Claim 1, in which each R^4 and each R^5 represents H.

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6. (Previously presented) A compound of formula (I), according to Claim 1, in which m represents the integer 1.

- 7. (Previously presented) A process for the preparation of a compound of formula (I), according to Claim 1, which comprises:
 - (a) reaction of a compound of formula (II):

$$R^{2} \longrightarrow NH_{2}$$

$$CR^{4}R^{5}$$

$$(CR^{4}R^{5})_{n}$$

$$R^{3} \longrightarrow (CR^{4}R^{5})_{m} \longrightarrow Ar$$

$$(III)$$

wherein R¹, R², R³, R⁴, R⁵, Ar, m and n are as defined in Claim 1, with an isocyanate; or (b) reaction of a compound of formula (III)

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$$R^{2} \xrightarrow{NH_{2}} NH$$

$$CR^{4}R^{5}$$

$$(CR^{4}R^{5})_{n}$$

$$LG$$

$$(III)$$

wherein R¹, R², R⁴, R⁵ and n are as defined in Claim 1 and LG represents a leaving group, with an amine (R³NH(CR⁴R⁵)_m-Ar) wherein R³, R⁴, R⁵, Ar and m are as defined in Claim 1; or

(c) reaction of a compound of formula (IV)

Metal

$$R^2$$
 CR^4R^5
 $(CR^4R^5)_n$
 R^3
 $(CR^4R^5)_m$
 R^3

wherein R^2 , R^3 , R^4 , R^5 , m, n and Ar are as defined in Claim 1, with a compound of formula (V)

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 $O \longrightarrow NH_2$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R^{1} & & & \\
NH & & & \\
NH_{2} & & & \\
\end{array}$$

$$(V)$$

wherein R¹ is as defined in Claim 1 and LG represents a leaving group; or

(d) reaction of a compound of formula (VI)

$$R^{2}$$

$$CR^{4}R^{5}$$

$$(CR^{4}R^{5})_{n}$$

$$R^{3}$$

$$(CR^{4}R^{5})_{m}$$

$$Ar$$

wherein R^2 , R^3 , R^4 , R^5 , m, n and Ar are as defined in Claim 1 and LG represents a leaving group,

with a compound of formula (VII)

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wherein R¹ is as defined in Claim 1;

and where necessary converting the resultant compound of formula (I), or another salt thereof, into a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof; or converting the resultant compound of formula (I) into a further compound of formula (I); and where desired converting the resultant compound of formula (I) into an optical isomer thereof.

- 8. (Previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound of formula (I), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in Claim 1 in association with a pharmaceutically acceptable adjuvant, diluent or carrier.
- 9. (Previously presented) A pharmaceutical composition adapted for administration by inhalation or insufflation comprising a compound of formula (I), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in Claim 1 in association with a pharmaceutically acceptable adjuvant, diluent or carrier.
- 10. (Previously presented) A process for the preparation of a pharmaceutical composition which comprises mixing a compound of formula (I), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in Claim 1 with a pharmaceutically acceptable adjuvant, diluent or carrier.
 - 11. (Cancelled)
 - 12. (Cancelled)
- 13. (Currently amended) A method or the treatment or prophylaxis of inflammatory disease selected from the group consisting of asthma, rheumatoid arthritis, psoriasis, inflammatory bowel disease, multiple sclerosis, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, bone

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resportive disease, osteoarthritis, and diabetes/glycaemic control; the method comprising administering to a person suffering from or at risk of said inflammatory disease a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula (I), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in Claim 1.

- 14. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in Claim 13 wherein the disease is rheumatoid arthritis.
- 15. (Previously presented) The method as claimed in Claim 13 wherein the disease is chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.
 - 16. (Cancelled)
- 17. (Currently amended) A method of treating, or reducing the risk of, <u>cancer-a</u> disease or a condition in which inhibition of IKK-2 activity is beneficial which comprises administering to a person suffering from or at risk of said disease or condition a therapeutically effective amount of a compound of formula (I), or a pharmaceutically acceptable salt thereof, as claimed in Claim 1.
 - 18. (Cancelled)